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SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Wickersham. Further discussion on the Beutler amendment to LB 313? Seeing none, Senator Beutler, did you wish to close on your amendment?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I think the amendment is a good amendment. I think there is no reason why there needs to be a kind of double-dipping, so to speak, in this process. I think it's fair to all districts. I think it makes more sense to spend the money on districts that are consolidating or unifying in the standard cost group because they are the ones that will need the incentive money more than the groups that are consolidating and creating sparse or very sparse districts. They will get their money back in short order. So whether you think about it, however you think about it, I would think that you would prefer to allocate the money to those districts that are consolidating in the standard cost group, and I would continue to recommend the amendment to you. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. You've heard the closing on AM0114 to LB 313. The question before the body is, shall that AM0114 be adopted to LB 313? All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. We are voting on the Beutler amendment, AM0114, to LB 313. Have you all voted to care to? Record, please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 6 ayes, 23 nays, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The amendment is not agreed to. Mr. Clerk, next item.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Beutler offers AM0108.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Beutler, to open on AM0108.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. President, I'd withdraw that one.

SENATOR CUDABACK: It is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk, next item.

CLERK: Senator Beutler, AM0107. (Legislative Journal